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Title: GEAR PROTECTED AGAINST OVERLOADING			

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The above-identified application is being filed in the U.S. Patent Office under 35 U.S.C. § 371. Kindly amend the application in the following manner: